Guide for Guests

2nd Floor, 5 Quai Pierre Forgas
66660 Port-Vendres

IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTES AND DISCLAIMER

1. The rear door of the flat leads to a walkway connecting to a terrace; there is a tiled roof below these. The balconies of the front windows all overlook the public footpath below.

You must be very careful not to fall over or drop anything over these balconies/railings!

We take no responsibility for any injuries or damage caused by or to people ignoring this warning. You will be personally responsible for any damage caused to people or property below.

2. There is a parasol to use with the terrace table (it may be on the terrace or in the utility room). Please lower the parasol and tie it with the elasticated rope provided every time you leave the terrace - the local wind, the Tramontane, is exceptionally strong and will destroy the parasol and possibly deposit the table on the roof below!

3. Please note that there is no smoking allowed in the flat. There is a smoke detector in the flat. When excess levels of smoke are detected it emits a high-pitched alarm.

The rear door (through the study area off the entrance hall) should be used as a fire escape if the main door is unuseable (ie if fire is on the staircase).

Note - this guide contains a few important "do's and don'ts". Please take a moment to skim through it. All important items can easily be found as they are in this italic typeface.

Checklist for leaving

On the final day please vacate the flat by 11am, leaving it as you found it, particularly bathrooms and toilets. If you are leaving much before 11am, please let us know by phoning us on 0468 388 128.

Please also:-

1. **Switch off all air-conditioning units, electric fire and towel-rails.**
2. **Clear the fridge and empty all rubbish into the containers across the road.**
3. **Place all used bed-linen, towels, tea-towels, etc, in the linen box in the corner of the back double bedroom.**
4. **Ensure all windows are closed securely.**
5. **Ensure the parasol on the terrace is lowered and tied closed with the elasticated rope supplied.**
6. **Lock the flat door and place all keys in our postbox on the ground floor.**

Beware – a nasty species of caterpillar – the processional pine caterpillar – is moving northward from its base in Spain, and has now reached as far as Paris. They are quite common in the Pyrenees-Orientales, and can be very dangerous. When on the move, the caterpillars form a « procession » - they have fine hairs which can lodge in the eyes of humans, and in the tongues of animals (dogs are particularly vulnerable as they are often fascinated by the "procession"). Their nests can be seen in pine trees looking like white candy floss and should be avoided!!!! You can find more about these little pests at «http://www.practicalspain.com/spanish-arthropods.htm»

The flat – Facilities, etc

Keys – two have been sent to you in the post; a further two will usually be left in the flat for your convenience. Each key is colour coded; ***orange*** for main entrance to apartment block; ***blue*** for flat door. You must turn doorhandles firmly ***up*** to close/lock, as is usual in France). The flat door is ***not*** self-locking; the main door ***is***!

*On leaving the flat at the **end of your stay**, please leave both keys in the envelope provided and place inside our mail box just inside the apartment block entrance.*

Rubbish disposal – use one of the large rubbish containers on the quay across the road from the flat. *Please clear out all rubbish at the **end of your stay** to eliminate odours.*

Water – main cut-off for the flat is behind a small door in the staircase between our flat and the first floor flat. Note that, contrary to a common English belief, tap water in France is perfectly drinkable, though the Port-Vendres water seems to be highly chlorinated!

Electricity- as with all modern French electrical systems, every circuit is controlled by a circuit breaker, not by fuses. All circuit breakers are in the toilet off the flat entrance hall. Each circuit breaker is identified by a pictogram (except the Main one, on the extreme left) - if a circuit blows, the switch will be down; simply reset by pushing the switch up. If the circuit keeps breaking, turn off or disconnect the guilty appliance! If ALL electricity is off and all the circuit breakers are on, the fault is probably a general overload which cuts out a main circuit breaker for the entire flat. This is the middle box in the top right-hand cupboard on the ground floor just inside the apartment block entrance. Switch off one or more electrical appliances and re-set this circuit breaker.

Flashlight - there is a flashlight hanging on the coatstand in the hall. This is a "wind-up" light so that it is always available. If it is low on power, simply open up the handle and wind it up for a minute or so!

Light bulbs – spares are in the kitchen cupboard opposite the cooker hob.

Air conditioning/heating – the control box for the lounge is on the wall between the main bedroom and the lounge. It is usually set to 20°C in Automatic mode (chooses either heating or air-conditioning), but you must **switch it on** when required using the little push-button on the top right of the control box.

Other rooms are controlled by individual remote control units found in wall mounted holders or by the bed in each room. They are usually set to 18° or 19°C, also in Automatic mode. They must be switched on when needed using the button on the remote control.

Obviously the air-conditioning cannot work properly if any windows are open!

*Please **switch off** all air-conditioning units when not required and when leaving the flat.*

Electric fire - open the front door of the fire to show three switches. The right hand switch is the on-off, and also illuminates the "log effect"; the other two control the heating, either 1 kw (middle switch) or 2 kw (middle and left switch).

Towel-rails - there is one in each shower room. They all have a temperature dial, an on-off button next to the temperature dial, and a "boost" button to force the heater on for two hours regardless of the room temperature.

The rails in the two en-suite shower rooms have a third button, the "mode" button, above the other two, which selects the mode of operation - for normal operation in conjunction with the temperature dial this should be pressed several times until the second indicator from the left is on (marked with a tiny sun).

Extractor fans - in the shower rooms and toilet work automatically and stay on until the humidity has been lowered. You will usually need to shut the doors to achieve this.

Window roller - shutters (lounge and main bedroom) – **these have been disconnected after multipe breakdowns!**

*Please **do not leave windows open** when no-one is in the flat; apart from the unpredictable winds, pigeons can be a nuisance and cause serious damage if they get inside!*

Television – digital TV is provided through a combined Internet/Telephone connection via Neuf Telecom. Turn the television on, and using the black Thomson TV remote control select AV. On the black Neuf telecom remote control (the one with the strange «ice cream cone» shape, press the button to the right of the «MENU TV» button to see a list of channels. Select a channel using the Up and Down arrows and press OK. You can use the numeric pad to select a channel directly: for example CNN is 260; Sky News is 262, France 24 in English is 261. If there seems to be a problem, disconnect and reconnect the power cable at the rear of the set-top box (on the right side as you look at the box).

DVD/CD/Radio - the DVD player also plays music CDs and is a radio receiver (though radio reception at the flat is not good). There is a full "DVD MicroTheatre" User Manual provided, but in brief, **to play a DVD** use the black Thomson remote control to switch

the television to AV, press Open-Close on the player, insert a DVD, press Open-Close again and the disc will play. To **play a CD** follow the same procedure, but the television need not be switched on!

Dish washer - takes "3 in 1" tablets (one for each day of your stay will be supplied and can be found near the dishwasher); the dishwasher instructions are on the surface by the dishwasher - it has recently been changed and we don't yet know the full details!

Washing machine and **Tumble drier** - in the utility room. The drier is a "condensation" drier; it is not vented to the outside and so ***must be emptied of water after every use!!*** To empty, pull out the water container situated at the bottom left of the drier. When using the washing machine please place an anti-calcium tablet in the drawer which holds the washing powder/tablet - anti-calcium tablets are provided. ***The "fluff trap" inside the drier at the front must also be cleaned regularly.***

Freezer - in the utility room.

Oven - can be set to manual or fan assisted cooking or grill function by using the control on the left. Then set the temperature with the control on the right. If using the grill function, the oven door **must** be left open. Inside the oven is a dish with a fitted grill rack which can be turned for either high or low grilling and should be used with the grill function.

Hob - rings glow red until the required temperature is reached. The indicator at the front of the hob remains alight showing which rings are hot even after the ring has been turned off.

Hot water cylinder - in the utility room. This should be on when you arrive. The control is a small black switch at the right-hand end of the top row of circuit breakers in the toilet just off the entrance hall of the flat. Slide the switch up for ON ('1'); down for OFF ('0') - the middle position is not used.

Books - some of the books in the flat have our name and address label on them; please ensure that you don't remove these. Others, mainly paperback novels, are unlabelled and can be taken away if you have not finished them at the end of your stay, provided you replace them with a similar type of book.

Postcards - please help yourself to those left freely available in the flat.

Beach towels - are in the wardrobes of the Main bedroom dressing room. Please do not use the bath towels for sunbathing, swimming, etc.

Hair drier - is in the wardrobe of the master bedroom dressing room.

Baby Cot/Baby bath - a travel cot and mattress, as well as a baby bath are kept in the master dressing room on top of the wardrobe.

Spare bed(Clic-Clac) - the sofa in the study area (leading to the rear terrace) opens out to make a double bed. Pull away from the wall, swing up the seat portion so that the back lies flat, then press the seat forward and then back to make a flat bed. Sheets, duvet and pillows are in the master dressing room wardrobe.

Pets - Pooper-Scoopers are required in Port-Vendres. A good area for exercising dogs is beyond the Freighter quay and Gare Maritime.

Terrace - the terrace at the rear of the flat is approached through the study door. It contains chairs, a small table with a parasol and a barbecue. Please lower the parasol and tie it with the elasticated rope provided every time you leave the terrace - the local wind, the Tramontane, is exceptionally strong and will destroy the parasol and possibly deposit the table on the roof below!

Door bell - unfortunately the intercom phone buzzer does not sound, so we have installed a separate "wireless" bell at the building main door with its chime sitting on the hall table. When the chime sounds you can speak using the intercom phone and open the building door by pressing the lower of the two buttons on the intercom.

Shower problem - problems with the plumbing in this old building mean that the shower in the rear double bedroom drains away very slowly - but it does eventually drain. If required, there are plungers in the Utility Room.

Local Facilities

Telephone Numbers/Addresses - Emergencies

Owners - Frank and Penny Parkinson, Caze d'en Roque Jalaire, 66300 Caixas
Telephone - Home **0033(0)468 388128**. Mobiles **0033(0)606 489259** or **0033(0)666 598452**.
If you need to contact us urgently, please leave messages on all 3 phones!
Ambulance (for medical emergencies) - 15 (Taxis are used for non-urgent journeys to hospital)
Fire Brigade - 18
Police - 17
Doctor - Drs Chapert & Marre, 3 quai Pierre Forgas **0468 82 11 60. (**Home 6 quai Pierre Forgas **0468 82 26 49)**
Dentist - Dr Briotte, 9 quai Pierre Forgas **0468 82 02 38**
Veterinary Surgeon - Pascal Maujean, 11 rue Jean Cabesa **0468 82 17 35**
Electrician - Guerin, 36 Avenue Castellane **0617 45 89 06** and **0468 37 19 38**
Edf (**Electricité de france**) - Emergency 24hr call-out **0810 333066**

Other Facilities

Taxis - 0468 82 04 34
Train station (Gare) – turn right out of flat, follow quay round to the roundabout in front of the carpark entrance, take second exit on roundabout and after a hundred yards or so turn right as if going to the Super U supermarket. Continue up hill past the Gendarmerie to the station. Trains go north to Collioure and beyond to Perpignan; south to Girona, Barcelona, etc.
Parking – nearest is on quay just to right of flat; entrance off roundabout. This usually has spaces at lunchtime and after 6pm or so. There is another large car park by the obelisk - turn left out of the flat and follow road round – car park is on the right. **Beware of the market held each Saturday on the obelisk car park** - you need to remove your car by Friday night or it will be surrounded by stalls and you will not be able to move it on Saturday! Elsewhere there is on-road parking across the quay and all along the road leading past the Freighter terminal. Parking in Port-Vendres is free - **except** for Quai Pierre Forgas and the Obelisk car park, where "Pay & Display" has been introduced for the months July, August and September!
Shops and markets - most shops shut for varying periods over lunchtime, although the SuperU (on the road to the Gare) remains open. Several shops (including the Petit Casino - either to the right outside the flat and up the steps to the Place Castellane; or turn left out of the flat and continue to the end of the quay, turning left at the end) open on Sunday morning. A market is held in the car park by the obelisk on Saturday mornings.

Walks

Try turning left out of the flat and walking up behind the church (the one with the blue dome) - this will lead you to La Mauresque, an abandoned fort and fortifications from the war, with views over the sea to Collioure and beyond.

Going the other way (right out of the flat and round the quay past the Gare Maritime, as if heading for the Poisson Rouge restaurant) a longer walk brings you to a road off to the right, near a Camping Car site, with signs for Cap Béar. Follow this (dead-end) road which takes you past another abandoned fort and on to a lighthouse (the Sémaphore phare du Cap Béar); there are spectacular views everywhere en route. This "walk" can also be done by car!

If you ignore the sign to Cap Béar, and carry on hugging the coast (signposted La Jetée) towards the Poisson Rouge you will see several of the "Charles Rennie MacKintosh Trail" pictures showing roughly where he sat while painting the area.

The IGN map number 2549OT is a **walker's map** (Carte de Randonnée) that covers the area from the Spanish border up to St-Cyprien.

Other Activities

In the flat you will find a selection of leaflets for a whole range of local activities. Further information can be obtained from the Tourist Office - turn right out of the flat and it is on the corner.

Beaches and swimming - the coast hereabouts is very rocky with some small coves that have pebbly beaches used by locals. Several can be seen on the walk to the Poisson Rouge, though there are "No Swimming" signs on these (ignored by the local kids). The water can be pretty grubby with rubbish from the harbour. Better coves are between Collioure and Port-Vendres, and at Paulilles on the way to Banyuls.

The best beaches, with miles of sand and safe swimming, begin just north of Collioure towards Argelès-Plage at Racou-Plage, and continue for miles through St Cyprien-Plage, Canet-Plage, and beyond. Some of these towns were developed in the 1960's after the mosquito problem had been largely resolved; hence the old towns, a little way inland, developed sea-side counterparts (St Cyprien with St Cyprien-Plage; Argelès-sur-Mer with Argelès-Plage, etc).

Le Racou, just a few minutes by car, is excellent. Take the fast road from Port-Vendres towards Perpignan, and come off at Junction 13, the second one from Port-Vendres, then follow the signs. It has a safe beach, plenty of parking (turn towards the beach through

one of the little entrances - maximum height 1.9 metres!), and lots of restaurants, pizzerias, bars, etc.

Excursions

A good map for the area is the Michelin 344 Local, "Aude, Pyrénées-Orientales" - scale 1/150,000.

1. The **Tourist train** to **Collioure** returns to **Port-Vendres** via **Fort St Elme** and vineyards behind the town. It is the easiest way to get the feel of the area. One possibility is to take a sea trip to Collioure and return by the Tourist Train.
2. **To get to know the immediate area** - turn off at junction 14 of the D914/N114 Collioure bypass, and follow the signs to **Tour Madeloc** (an old fortified tower). This road gives spectacular views down to Collioure, Port-Vendres, etc, and takes you on an inland route to Banyuls-sur-Mer, where you can return to Port-Vendres on the coast road. The entire round trip will only take a couple of hours or so, depending on stops, but you do need a head for heights!!
3. **Allow a full day** for this trip along the coast into **Spain**, then around the Cap Creus before returning to France by an inland route. A good idea is to plan to eat at El Port de la Selva or Cadaques. Remember that Spaniards eat later than the French or English, so you should still be able to get into a restaurant for lunch up to 2.30pm or even later.
   From Port-Vendres take the winding coast road to **Banyuls** and **Cerbère**; this takes you on to the Spanish border and on through **Portbou** (signs not easy to spot here - follow "Figueras") to **Llança**. You can take time to see the port of Llança (though it is not very exciting). Carry on to **Port de la Selva** (you must look carefully for signs as you need to turn left off the Llança - Figueras road into Llança itself). There is a very cheap "café" in Port de la Selva right on the waters edge. The menu of the day has recently gone up from €8.50 to €9 for three courses including wine, and the food is not bad at all. After Port de la Selva you will need to backtrack a few hundred metres to turn on the road to **Cadaques**. This is the Spanish equivalent of Collioure, though shabbier in a typically Spanish way. (Salvador Dali lived near Cadaques at Port Lligat, and there are references to him everywhere in the region.) If you decide to eat in Cadaques you will find Casa Nun hidden away in a corner on the seafront to the left of the main road in. After Cadaques the pretty road to Figueres passes close to Rosas, a very popular holiday resort. In **Figueres**, a nice little town, there is the ever popular, and busy, Dali museum (he was born here). Take the N11 north to the "truck stop" town of **La Jonquera** (fill up here with fuel if you haven't done so already in Spain). In the summer, **Le Perthus** (a shopper's paradise; everyone else's hell) is **very busy**– so you may prefer to get on to the motorway in La Jonquera to cross into France (though this also can be slow at the border). Either way turn right at **Le Boulou** onto the road to **Port-Vendres**.
4. **A shorter trip along the coast and then an inland route back to France** - Take the coast road to Banyuls from Port-Vendres, but in the centre of **Banyuls** turn right at the Mairie (signposted Musée Maillols) **-** follow signs to Champion supermarket, but turn left before you reach it, signposted Musée Maillols and **Col de Banyuls**. This leads you by a windy, not well maintained, small road for several miles until you start a steep climb up to the Col de Banyuls itself. Here there is a small carpark and a monument. In good weather there are wonderful views back to the Mediterranean. Carry on and you are soon in Spain (until early 2006 this was a dirt track, but it has now been improved, thanks to European taxpayers). Follow the (now wonderfully paved) road to **Espolla**, then turn right to **Capmany**. You can bypass Capmany and carry on to turn right on the **N11 Figueres-La Jonquera road**, as in the previous itinerary. Alternatively, turn into the little town of Capmany and find the Oliveda wine cave (too complicated to give directions here) which has a museum upstairs with amazing wooden carvings, as well as some of the finest local wines (Rigau Ros Gran Reserva red wine for a little over 5 euros a bottle).
5. **A round trip through some of the quieter country of Les Aspres hills** - From Port-Vendres take the fast road to **Le Boulou**, then continue on to **Céret**. Here you will find the well known Modern Art museum with works by Picasso, Chagall, etc, in the shady centre of this old town. From Céret cross the main Le Boulou road to wind into the hills on to **Llauro** and then **Fourques**, where you turn left on the D2 towards **Caixas** (a commune with no real centre) and then turn right on the D48 to the lovely medieval village of **Castelnou**. After Castelnou you enter **Thuir**, a typical, not very touristy, town of this area. Be warned - there is no chance of a drink or food between Céret and Castelnou/Thuir, unless you telephone us first, when, if we are at home, we will be glad to offer you a cup of coffee, or something stronger, at our home in Caixas! After Thuir take the signposted roads to **Trouillas**, **Bages**, **Elne** and on to the coast for Port-Vendres.
6. While in this part of the world, take the opportunity to see some of the **tremendous diversity of the Pyrenees Orientales**. Take the fast road towards Perpignan and turn off towards Le Boulou; passing Céret, following signs to Prats de Mollo. It will take you about an hour from Port-Vendres to Prats de Mollo – a very old walled town on the river Le Tech, with a fort overlooking it guarding the invasion route from Spain. As well as the fort and an interesting church, there are restaurants, hotels and bars. The Hotel Bellevue has a wonderful restaurant – the Bellavista. On the return you can turn off to Serralongue (a pretty little village with a café/bar; the next village beyond Serralongue, Lamanere, is the most southerly commune in mainland France – the real South of France!! You can return the way you came, or, if you have time, take the beautiful detour to La Forge de Mitg and St Laurens de Cerdans, than into Spain through Coustouge, Tapis, Maçanet, on to the Le Perthus-Figueras road (N11 in Spain, N9 in France), returning to Port-Vendres via Capmany, Espolla and the Col de Banyuls (see 4 above).
7. **The Cathar heresy** was widely followed in the South of France from about the 12th to the 14th centuries, leading Pope Innocent 3rd to call for a crusade in 1209 - the Albigensian Crusade. For nearly 50 years there was merciless and bloody fighting, with the seemingly impregnable strongholds of Peyrepertuse, Montségur and Quéribus falling respectively in 1240, 1244 and 1255. There are many sights within the triangle Perpignan - Béziers - Toulouse which reek with the history of these times, and the following route is quite straightforward.
   Take the RN9 north of Perpignan and turn off as if going to the airport, but follow the D117, signposted to Foix. In **Maury** (famous, as is Banyuls, for its sweet red dessert wine) turn right on to the **D14** which leads you past **Quéribus** and **Peyrepertuse** before taking you to **St-Paul-de-Fenouillet** and thus back to the D117 by way of the **Gorges de Galamus**. Note - this gorge is not for the faint-hearted - I speak from experience! Retrace your route back to Perpignan and Port-

Vendres.

8. **Barcelona** - well worth a day, but driving to Figueres to get the train is much more relaxing than driving. If you leave your car at the train station car park in Figueres, beware - it is closed on Sundays and holidays, including obscure Catalan holidays and you will not be able to retrieve your car if you stay over and return when closed. This is the voice of bitter experience!
   To get to Figueres station take the N11 from La Jonquera in Spain and turn in to Figueres at the junction marked Roses-Figueres; the station is a little way up this road just left after crossing the track. The train to Barcelona takes a couple of hours and costs only 8 euros or so.
9. **Andorra** - a country consisting of a few lovely valleys spurring off the central valley, with quite nice small towns and a horrendous capital city, Andorra la Vella, which is little more than a tax-free shoppers paradise. The only way to get there is by road - follow signs on the Perpignan ring road to enter from the French side. It is best to return via Spain as the French customs authorities often cause several hours of tailback in the summer by stopping every car (at least in their normal working day).
10. **Little Yellow Train** from Villefranche sur Conflent to Mont Louis, etc. A relaxing way to see beautiful countryside. Highly recommended is to take the early train (1030am or so) from Villefranche sur Conflent to Mont Louis, lunch at Mont Louis, and take a later train back. Try to sit in one of the open carriages in the train for spectacular views. If you go all the way to Latour de Carol you can see the only working station in the world with three different rail gauges (Spanish, French and the Petit Train Jaune).
11. **The Red Train** - similar to the Little Yellow Train, but operated by a society of amateurs, not SNCF, and therefore less reliable as to times, runs from Rivesalte along the Fenouillede valley to Axat.

Restaurants

Below is a very personal list of restaurants that we have used, and enjoyed. It is by no means exhaustive, and they do change over time!

Port-Vendres
Le Pescatore (below the flat) - the owner was a trawler owner. His son and daughter work in the restaurant. Not brilliant!

La Tramontane - to the right just outside the flat - our favourite - very good food with an inexpensive fixed price menu daily.

L'Archipel – directly across the quay from the flat was very good, but we have had bad reports in 2009.

Le Chalut – at the end of the quay to the right of the flat - has an inexpensive fixed price menu for lunch and dinner except on Sundays and holidays.

The Côte Vermeille - turn left out of the flat and follow the quay all the way round nearly to the shipyard. It is more luxurious and more expensive than most locally, with an unparalleled position and, unusually for Port-Vendres, no traffic outside.

The Poisson Rouge is all fish, and we think it is quite expensive, although it is in an interesting location on the water's edge. Turn right out of the flat and follow the quay around past the Gare Maritime and turn left after ED food supermarket from where it is signposted. This is quite a long walk and a car may be preferable. They do not take credit cards!!

Collioure
Copacabana - on the sea-front near the church, with one of the best positions on this coast.

Les Templiers has an interesting history and lots of paintings, some allegedly left by guests who couldn't afford to pay for their lodging. This is probably not a good ruse nowadays, unless you are already a well-known painter!

St Cyprien-Plage
Bounty - on the sea front near the waterfall. The restaurant (where at least one waiter speaks good English) is next to a snack bar of the same name.

Vivès
L'Hostal - Catalan mountain food served in a traditional setting, a few kilometres off the main road to Céret. Turn right in St Jean Pla de Corts

Perpignan
Lots of restaurants on and around the **Basse,** the river running through the centre near the Castillet, or **Place Arago**.
Le Grain de Folie 71 Ave Général Leclerc (on south side of main bridge over the River Tet) - superb quality and value!! Tel 0468 510050
Casa Bonet offers a huge range of starters followed by all sorts of meat cooked on the « epée ».
Le Clos de Lys - just off the road from Decathlon (near Auchan) to the multiplex cinema - turn left at the cinema roundabout when taking the fast road from Port-Vendres to Perpignan. Follow signs to the Espace Automobile. Very good indeed - inexpensive lunchtime menu.
Villa Duflot - hidden away next to Auchan - expensive but lovely service and food.

Spain

Els Fogons de Canadal - overlooking the horrible "Wild West" town of La Jonquera. Take the N11 through La Jonquera, turn left at the roundabout signposted to Cantallops, then left again at the next roundabout and follow the signs. Inexpensive lunch menu, lovely restaurant, and easy to forget that all the "truckstop" tattiness of La Jonquera is so near!

El Moli - an old water mill on a river outside Pont de Molin, a few kilometres off the N11 between Figueres and Girona. Good for a special, but not pricey, meal. Try the half-shoulder of lamb!

Casa Nun - in Cadaques - on the seafront not far from the statue of Salvador Dali. Telephone number (0034) 972 258 856. One of our favourites.

Mas Renart - Mollet de Peralada (600 metres along the road to Espolla) - lovely place, good food, excellent staff who speak English and French. They have menus at €25-€27 (in 2012). Very like El Moli (see above).

Mas Salelles - On the road to Darnius (turn off the N11 road between La Jonquera and Figueres). Lovely old, typically Catalan building. Good food and a three-course menu at €15, including wine. Excellent value and lovely people. Web site www.massalelles.com

Telephone, Television and Internet
Flat Telephone number (0033)430 446801

Telephone – in the flat is connected via the ASDL computer connection. This allows free telephone calls to landline numbers in some countries. Below is a list of countries to which free calls can be made.

Please inform us of all chargeable calls, including **all special numbers and mobile phones,** so that they can be deducted from your security deposit. The number for incoming calls is 0430 446801; from abroad this is 0033 430 446801. To retrieve messages from the answerphone, dial *9.

Internet access – there is WiFi Internet connectivity in the flat. If your system scans for a Wireless LAN, the one to choose is NEUF_BC98. The WiFI key (password) is **ecpemokveejhedfeads0** (the last character is numeric zero).

Countries to which free telephone calls to landline telephones may be made - all other calls, including all calls to mobiles and special numbers, are chargeable

France *(including Corsica), Guadeloupe, Martinique, Reunion.*

European Union (all except Bulgaria and Romania)

Germany, Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Denmark, Spain (including Majorque and the Canaries), Estonia, Finland, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy (including Sardinia and Sicily), Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Czech Republic, the United Kingdom, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden.

Rest of the World

The Azores, Albania, Algeria (AssilaBox only, n° starting with 00 213 9820), Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Bosnia-Herzegovinia, Canada (including mobiles), the Canaries, Chile, China, Croatia, South Korea, the United States (including mobiles), Guernsey, Hong-Kong, Iceland, Israel, Japan, Jersey, Liechtenstein, Macedonia, Madeira, Monaco, Norway, New Zealand, San Marino, Singapore, Switzerland, Taiwan, Turkey, the Vatican

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